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## **DETAILED ACTION**

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(a) the invention was known or used by others in this country, or patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country, before the invention thereof by the applicant for a patent.

2. Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being anticipated by Kafuku et al. 2004/0041439.

Regarding claim 1, Kafuku et al. '439 discloses a carrier mounted structure (1) comprising a carrier provided in front of an engine compartment of a car body, that fixes electric components of a car; a bumper cover (4a) located below the carrier, that absorbs impact generated in a collision of the car; and a plurality of knobs (1c) extending from a lower surface of the carrier, and connected to bumper cover, wherein the knobs are formed integrally integrally and in one piece with the carrier in Figures 1 and 2.

Regarding claim 2, Kafuku et al. '439 discloses the carrier mounting structure, wherein each of the knobs has an L-shaped structure, and includes support protrusions that maintain the rigidity of the knobs in Figures 1 and 2.

### ***Response to Arguments***

3. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1 and 2 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

*Conclusion*

4. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

5. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lori L. Coletta whose telephone number is 571-272-6658. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 7:30am-4:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Glenn Dayoan can be reached on 571-272-6659. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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